



The JCC Summer Challenge is an opportunity to encourage each individual of Jubilee Christian Centre to go beyond their comfort zone. We are asking you to pray one prayer a day, commit one act of kindness a week and make one new friend this summer.

## But First Brunch!

Ladies—  
Do not miss this beautiful garden party at the Huerta's.

**SAT, AUGUST 5 @ 9:30 AM**

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE BRUNCH SO WE WILL HAVE AN ACCURATE COUNT!



**BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING**

**THURSDAY  
AUGUST 10  
@ 6-8 PM**

PRAYER · PRAISE · PRIZES

*Hope*  
**OUTSIDE THE WALLS**

**SATURDAY  
AUGUST 12, 2023**

FESTIVAL PARK | 132 S. GROVE ELGIN, IL

# MELTDOWN

## EPIC MELTDOWNS OF THE BIBLE

- Jul 09 » Moses in the Desert
- Jul 16 » Elijah Runs Away from Jezebel
- Jul 23 » Peter Denies Jesus
- Jul 30 » Nebuchadnezzar Humbled After His Breakdown

# Prayer REQUESTS

### ▶ SALVATION

- Walter Miner III
- Gearen Family
- Tom M.
- Stein Family
- Ryan K.
- Tyler M.
- Mandy W.
- Dave. O

### ▶ HEALTH ISSUES

- Art B. » Health Issues
- Armando » Back Issues
- Jean G. » Health Issues
- Karla D. » Cancer Recovery
- Mandy W. » Cancer
- Maggie B. » Chemotherapy
- Merle » Health Issues
- Carlos V. » Health Issues
- Angie & Family » Life Issues
- Samantha B. » Health Issues
- Christine P. » Bone Cancer
- Howard P. » Cancer
- Bob A. Healing/Kidney
- Camilia S. » Cancer/Leg
- Mike P. » Health Issues
- Mickey N. » Stroke
- Robert G. » Health Issues
- Kevin K. » Health Issues
- Angela A. » Health Issues
- Michelle H. » Leukemia
- Kathy S. » Back Injury
- Walter M. » Cardiac procedure

## METRICS THAT MATTER (07/16/23)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 27

GIVING ▶ \$650

GUESTS ▶ 0

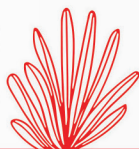
VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0

## Peter Denies Jesus John 21:1-25

As the book of John concludes, there is one key resurrection figure that is absent—Peter. The last chapter Peter's story is there for all to see:

- Jesus had told the disciples that they would all forsake him. Peter stands up and declares boldly, "Not me!"
- Jesus: "Actually, Peter, you're going to be worse than everybody. You'll deny me 3 times before the rooster crows tomorrow morning."
- Peter's like, "Whatever. No way. I'm all-in." And then he flexes his spiritual muscles in front of everyone.
- A few hours later he's standing around a fire and a **couple of teenaged girls** say, "*Hey, weren't you one of Jesus' disciples?*" And Peter is like, "*What? Who? No. Never heard of him!*" This happens 3 times, and as that final denial is coming out of his mouth that rooster crows in the distance.
- Peter announces he's "Going fishing."

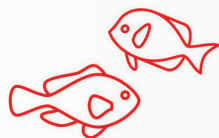


This is like the worst place to be: you've seen too much to ever be happy again in your old life; but you are too discouraged to keep going forward with God.

## JESUS ASKS THE HARD QUESTION:

"Children do you have any fish?"

They answered "NO."



Why is Jesus doing this? Why does he ask questions like this when he knows the answer?

- Because he always wants you to be honest with yourself. Finding God's new plan for your life starts with being honest with yourself about yourself.
- The first person you need to quit lying to is you. You've need to say to yourself, "I'm just not happy where I am. These relationships are just not making me happy. The parties are getting old. I wake up feeling dirty and hollow. I don't like where I've been or where I'm going."
- He wants you to admit to yourself, "I've done this all night—I fished all night—and I have taken in nothing!"

*He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.*

*— John 21:6-8 —*



## THE APPLICATION OF RESURRECTION FOR PETER:

Peter

Trying to prove himself.  
Swimming hard: "Look at me."  
I'll do better next time.  
Plate spinning.

Jesus

Invites them to eat.  
Prepared the fish.  
Come as you are.  
Rest in your spirit.

## But First Brunch!

Ladies—

Do not miss this  
beautiful garden party  
at the Huerta's.

SAT, AUGUST 5  
@ 9:30 AM

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE BRUNCH SO  
WE WILL HAVE AN ACCURATE COUNT!



THURSDAY  
AUGUST 10  
@ 6-8 PM

PRAYER · PRAISE · PRIZES

677 Luda Street, 60120  
Elgin, IL | [jccelgin.org](http://jccelgin.org)

